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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - July 23, 2007

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced that Patricia Limon pled guilty today in federal court in San Diego before United States District Judge M. James Lorenz to Counts One and Three of an indictment charging her with the importation of methamphetamine and cocaine.

According to court documents, Limon admitted that on March 14, 2006, she was the driver of a black Ford Expedition that entered the United States from Mexico through the San Ysidro, California Port of Entry which contained approximately 5.36 kilograms of methamphetamine (actual) and 6.00 kilograms of cocaine concealed in the dashboard and center console area.

Sentencing is scheduled for October 15, 2007, at 8:30 a.m., before United States District Judge M. James Lorenz.

DEFENDANT

Case Number: 06cr1114-L

Patricia Limon

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Count One: Title 21, United States Code, Section 952, 960, Importation of Methamphetamine

Count Three: Title 21, United States Code, Section 952, 960, Importation of Cocaine

Maximum penalties: Life in prison; mandatory minimum of 10 years

\$4,000,000 fine

Five years' supervised release

\$100 special assessment

INVESTIGATING AGENCY

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement